



31 January 2019

Dear Parents

The winter chill, although evident in the weather outside, is not to be found in the positive glow radiating from excited, engaged children this week. Whether sampling traditional Sottish fare, practising for assembly, being immersed in Film Night or throwing themselves into hockey matches, the children have shown the warmth to be found in camaraderie, team work and embracing new experiences.

Lower School Film Night

The roar of the matador's arena created the triumphant backdrop to our Lower School Film Night. The children packed the school hall, armed with enthusiasm, popcorn and pizza, to cheer on our bovine hero against all the odds. Yet another marvellous moment of Dolphin community spirit, was experienced by all present.



Year 4 Emeralds - Burns Day

'Wee, sleekit, cawrin, tim'rous beastie...' are not the usual sounds you hear from the mouths of our Year 4 pupils on a Friday morning. But on Robbie Burns Day, they were in full voice, trying to decipher and decode his wonderful poem, 'To a Mouse', and hear all about his celebrated status. Furthermore, some 'well tidy scan' known as 'Cranchan' was on the menu and as our wee bairns tucked in they were treated to a presentation by our own resident Scot, the fantastic Mr Wright, who delighted the pupils with a visual display of his homeland sprinkled with tales of Burns and other famous Scottish heroes. Thank you to Mr Wright, "pure barry!"



Year 5 Topaz – Relationship Time



Recently in Relationship Time, Y5 continued their exploration of the Gospel of Matthew by acting out some well known parables. Both classes enjoyed unpacking the stories and the children were full of ideas when discussing what each one meant. Here is one group acting out “The Parable of the Mustard Seed.”

POD Christmas Cards

£142.50 was the total profit raised by POD through the Christmas Card initiative. Thank you to all the families who purchased these unique cards or gifts showing their children’s designs.

Theme Day

This year our Theme Day will be on **Friday 15 February**. We are giving you advance notice that there will be no Assembly that day. If your child has a birthday during that week, we look forward to celebrating this at Assembly on Friday 1 March.

Sports Report

Friday 25 January - Y5/Y6 Girls' Consortium Shield Hockey Tournament

The Tournament was a great success and was played in a "round robin" format. We had four schools in attendance with a total of ten teams playing. All three of the Dolphin teams played four games, totalling almost an hour of hockey. Most pleasing was the noticeable improvement everyone made over the course of the afternoon. The Dolphin A and B teams came third in their sections, while the C team was fourth.

Monday 28 January - Y3/Y4 Boys' Hockey v Newton Prep

All four teams played very well. We finished with two wins and two losses. A special mention goes to the Y3 team, who in spite of only really having had a couple of lessons of hockey, played very well. Also, the A team was excellent, winning matches and playing some great hockey.

Tuesday 29 January - Y3/Y4 Girls' Hockey v Streatham and Clapham

We had three teams playing. Like the boys, the Y3 girls' team played very well in their match. The Y4 A and B teams finished with one win and one loss, after closely contested matches.

Tomorrow

It is the turn of parents in Reception and Year 2KV to pop into classrooms at 'drop off'.

Parents' prayers will be held as usual at 8:50. If you are joining us for this you are asked to sign in at the office first before making your way to the Music Room.

Our Friday Assembly at 11.15 will be led by Year 3 Rubies. Parents are warmly invited.

With best wishes

N. S. Baldwin

Mrs N S Baldwin
Principal

Forthcoming events

Date	Event	Times	Venue
Thursday 31 January	POD Quiz Night	19.30 – 22.00	All Bar One
Friday 1 February	Parents' Prayers	08:50	Music Room
Friday 1 February	Assembly Year 3 Rubies	11:15	Church
Friday 1 February	ISA Cross Country	07.30 – 14.00	
Tuesday 5 February	Y3/Y4 Girls' Consortium Hockey Tournament	13.30 – 16.00	Ferndale
Wednesday 6 February	Y5/Y6 Girls' Hockey v Eaton House	14.00 – 15.30	Crystal Palace
Wednesday 6 February	Y5/Y6 Boys' Hockey v Newton Prep	14.15 – 15.45	Newton Prep
Thursday 7 February	Y3 – Y6 Cross Country	12.30 – 16.15	Alley's

